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For: SWITCH VALVE FOR HOT GAS CIRCUIT OF REFRIGERANT CIRCUIT

ATTACHMENT TO AMENDMENT SHOWING MODIFICATIONS

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In accordance with 37 CFR §1.121, the modifications made to the claims are as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

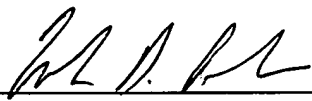
- 1 1. (Twice amended) A switch valve comprising:
- 2 a single valve housing;
- 3 a first passage formed in the valve housing to permit a fluid to flow into the
- 4 valve housing;
- 5 a second passage formed in the valve housing to permit, at selected times,
- 6 the fluid in the first passage to exit the valve housing;
- 7 a third passage formed in the valve housing to permit, at selected times, the
- 8 fluid in the first passage to exit the valve housing;

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9 a first valve mechanism incorporated in the valve housing for selectively
10 connecting and disconnecting the first passage with the second passage in
11 accordance with an external instruction; and
12 a second valve mechanism incorporated in the valve housing, wherein the
13 second valve mechanism [for] selectively connects [connecting] and disconnects
14 [disconnecting] the first passage with the third passage in accordance with the
15 difference between the pressure in the first passage and the pressure in the second
16 passage when the first valve mechanism is closed, and wherein the second valve
17 mechanism is always closed when the first valve mechanism is open.

Respectfully submitted,

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